

97 PER CENT OF D. C. RAIL SHOPMEN OUT

Harding Hints At Taking Mines

BIELASKI SUSPECTED OF FAKING ABDUCTION

HIS TALE DISBELIEVED IN MEXICO

Officials Point to Several Al-
leged Flaws in Report.
Three Are Arrested.

MEXICO CITY, July 1.—Three persons are under arrest today, including Montese Oca, in connection with the kidnapping of A. Bruce Bielaski.

Military authorities who are directing the investigation refuse to state who the other two are, but they regard Bielaski's story with skepticism. Generals Calles and Serrano say the Bielaski case bears the ear marks of abduction.

Jewelry Untouched.
Serrano said that it was a noteworthy fact that Bielaski, when he arrived at Toluca after his escape, wore a diamond ring on his right hand. He pointed out that he thought it was peculiar that men going into the cave-country, where bandits formerly roamed, should wear jewelry valued at many thousands of dollars.

Serrano also made it very plain that he thought it was unusual that Bielaski should have taken a course straight for the nearest garrison following his escape, emphasizing that on that night the sky was darkened by clouds. Bielaski's story that he stumbled over rocks and down gullies and into water holes is questionable in that his shoes were not damaged, said Serrano.

Other military authorities pointed out that four engineers arrived on the scene shortly after the kidnapping and wanted to pursue the bandits, but three women and Oca remained in Bielaski's party protesting, saying that they feared the vengeance of the bandits. Oca, it is claimed, was later encountered alone and gave the wrong directions for pursuit.

Notwithstanding the charges against Oca, Bielaski defends him. Seeking Motive.
Military police are continuing their investigation, saying that they will soon be able to announce the motive for the action in the Bielaski case.

Enrique Goldbaum Padilla, attached to the president's staff, was arrested today on the order of the president, charged with disobedience. It was generally understood that when Padilla appeared on the scene to direct the rescue he was acting under the president's orders, but a protest from the chief of operations of the state of Morelos brought the announcement that Padilla acted on his own initiative.

Bulletins On Progress Of Nation-Wide Rail Strike

PITTSBURGH, July 1.—Twenty-five hundred shopmen at the Glenwood shops of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad walked out at 10 o'clock today. There was no disorder.

ELIZABETH, N. J., July 1.—Approximately 2,000 shop men of the Central Railroad of New Jersey obeyed the strike order today. Saturday is an off day for the shopmen, but they carried away tools, saying that they would not return.

CAMDEN, N. J., July 1.—Of the fifteen hundred shopworkers of the Pennsylvania and Reading railroads in this district, 1,200 laid down their tools at 10 o'clock this morning, according to statements of union officials. They declared the strike would be 100 per cent effective by tonight or Monday morning.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., July 1.—Leaders of the Union Railway Shopmen declared that the strike order would be generally obeyed by employees of the various railroads here. Shops are maintained here by the Central Railroad of New Jersey, the Pennsylvania system, the Lehigh Valley and Delaware, Lackawanna and Western. Policemen were sent to the various machine shops to protect them.

ROANOKE, Va., July 1.—About 3,500 shop men went on strike promptly at 10 o'clock this morning in the Norfolk and Western shops here, and it is expected that 6,000 men all together will be out on the system. The Norfolk and Western has been hauling more coal than at any time in its history, due to its reaching the nonunion coal field, and if the strike continues it will be badly crippled. Most of the coal goes to New York and Boston from its Hampton Roads terminal.

RICHMOND, Va., July 1.—Richmond's railroad shopmen complied with the national federation's order to quit their posts this morning, the men laying down their tools promptly at 10 o'clock. Approximately 3,500 men in the shops of the Chesapeake and Ohio, Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac, and Southern railroads, or 99 per cent of the total membership, walked out.

While assurances have been given by the strike leaders here that there will be no disorder, Acting Chief of Police McMahon today issued orders to the police force to take special precautions to prevent trouble around the three shops.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 1.—Officials of the Southern Railway here declared today that the 500 shopmen expected to walk out in compliance with the strike ordered from Chicago will not hamper work at the Atlanta shops. Other men, it was said, have been engaged to replace them.

DE VALERA ATTACKS IN 8 PLACES

Claims Victories in Provinces
and Spread of Rebellion.
Fight Still in Dublin.

LONDON, July 1, 4:30 p. m.—Republican irregulars are reported to have defeated the Free State troops at Drogheda, according to a despatch from that place this afternoon. There were casualties on both sides.

DUBLIN, July 1—2:45 p. m.—Railroad communication from Dublin was cut off in all directions this afternoon. The regular army is being strengthened. Irregulars are commandeering foodstuffs.

LONDON, July 1.—Liam Lynch, commander of the Republican irregulars at Cork, has issued a proclamation stating that by night the irregulars will control all of western and southern Ireland, and a Cork dispatch to the Star. The regulars at Dublin are encircling the insurgents.

By Cosmopolitan News Service.
STRABANE, Ireland, July 1.—Irregulars began concentrating at Raphoe today and a battle is believed to be imminent.

By DANIEL O'CONNELL,
International News Service.
DUBLIN, July 1 (noon).—There has been a great and spectacular spread of the Irish civil war, with fighting in progress in many parts of the Irish Free State, according to claims issued today by Eamon de Valera, the Republican leader, from his headquarters in the Gresham Hotel.

Cut Line to Belfast.
De Valera claimed that the Free State was under attack by Republican irregulars at Listowel, Foyens, Skibbereen, Abbeyfeale, New Castle, West Broadford, Holbrook, and Charleville. Irregulars blew up a railway bridge south of Drogheda, cutting railway traffic between Belfast and the South.

Free State troops are active in a number of counties, especially Donegal, rounding up and arresting Republicans. There was another outbreak of fighting here after a brief lull. The rebels tried to bomb an armored car in Talbot street, but were driven off. The rebel stronghold in Capel street was shelled and fifty men captured by Free State troops.

Text of President's Speech at Coal Conference

President Harding's address to representatives of the coal operators and miners today follows:
Gentlemen of the Coal Industry: I asked you to meet me here this morning, with the thought that in bringing you together I might be serving both the mine workers and the mine operators of the United States, and at the same time serve the great American public to which both you and I are obligated. I hold no specific authority under which to admonish you, but I do have the right to invite your immediate attention to a situation which deeply concerns the country, the solution of which you collectively owe to the American people.

You who are here today represent a large sponsorship for America's supply of fuel. In that sponsorship you have an indisputable relationship to the common weal of America. Coal is indispensable to our life as a people, and since this country has afforded you the opportunity of development on your part, both as workers and operators, you have created, in turn, an obligation to serve. Conflicting views as to your policies and your obligations to one another in no wise modify your obligations to the public, which make possible your industrial existence.

Because of existing agreements relating to wage scales and working conditions a large percentage of the mining activities of the country have been suspended three months to a day. It is not for me to touch upon the merits of your opposing positions. I have not called you as a partisan of the mine worker or the employer. I do not mean even to discuss a single phase of controverted questions. The main point is to bring you together and in that contact of men to men, mindful of the necessity of righteousness in any useful and

Meaning Made Clear.
President Harding did not mention Federal control by name. He adopted the more delicate way of putting it, but throughout the President's brief speech to the warring factions it was made clear that the Administration is keeping "a steel hand in a velvet glove," and that if the miners and operators cannot get together, the Government is going to protect the consuming public.

The "kick" in the President's speech was near the end. He said: "You are admonished to arrive at such understanding with measurable promptness among yourselves. If the adjustment cannot be reached by you alone, Government aid will be available at your JOINT call. We wish you, who best know the way to solution, to reach it among yourselves, in a manner to command the sanction of the American people."

FAILING IN THAT THE SERVICE WILL BE CALLED TO THE TASK IN THE NAME OF AMERICAN SAFETY AND FOR THE GREATEST GOOD OF ALL THE PEOPLE.

The President appealed to both the miners and operators to resume work. He said: "I am elected to the Senate two years ago, never was an active worker for the Townsend organization. Frazier's statement, written today for the Cosmopolitan News Service, follows:

By LYNN J. FRAZIER.
If I am elected in November, I expect to align myself with the Progressive Republicans. I see no reason why I cannot work in that wing of the party, which is steadily growing in the Senate. I will work faithfully with the "agricultural bloc."

Will Stick to Platform.
My platform now and always has been the Non-Partisan League platform. I never have receded from those principles upon which we built our organization and took the control of the State away from the Elevator trust and the domination of the millers and bankers in Minneapolis.

There is nothing in that platform which I cannot take to Washington. Congressman John Baer was a pioneer in Washington and always felt that he had blazed the way for the North Dakota idea in Congress, but he worked alone. Now times have changed, the people realize the hopelessness of depending upon the men who are simply representatives of the same interests which have fought us in North Dakota, and I will not be alone.

Rail Strike Situation As Workers Begin Walkout

Number of men employed on railroads, 1,425,000.
Number in ten unions which have ordered strike vote, about 1,000,000.
Number in six shop crafts scheduled to strike today, 400,000.

Trades striking: Machinists, blacksmiths, boilermakers, car men, sheet metal workers, electricians.
Trades taking strike votes, but not striking: Clerks, vote incomplete; signal men, ballots insufficient; stationary firemen, vote returnable July 10; maintenance of way men, action deferred to July 3.

Trades not considering strikes: Engineer, firemen, conductors, trainmen (including switchmen), telegraphers.
Reasons assigned for strike: Decisions of the Railroad Labor Board reducing wages from two to nine cents an hour on July 1 and eliminating overtime pay for work on Sundays and holidays; action of the railroads in contracting out their shops to evade jurisdiction of Railroad Labor Board.

Labor Board gives up efforts to avert strike when shop crafts heads flout board's authority.
Twelve railroads agree to abandon farming out work.
White House announces Administration will stand squarely behind Labor Board.
Railroad officials announce strike will have no effect on train service.

EIGHT INDICED IN MILLION
DOLLAR OPIUM CONSPIRACY
NEW YORK, July 1.—Charged with conspiracy to defraud the Government of duty on 2,800 pounds of opium, worth \$1,000,000, the Anchor Warehouse, Inc., and eight individuals, residing here and in Havana, were indicted by a Federal grand jury.

Investigation, inspired by a drug raid in Chinatown last April, was said by Assistant Federal Attorney Falk to have disclosed that some men high in local political circles were interested in opium traffic.

HUERTA TOLD MEXICO
WILL PAY ITS DEBT
NEW YORK, July 1.—Adolfo de La Huerta, Mexican minister of finance, announced yesterday that he had received unofficial information from Mexico City that President Obregon's cabinet last night had ratified the agreement for the payment of the Mexican national debt recently made here with international bankers.

ASSASSINS OF WILSON
REVEAL TRUE NAMES
LONDON, July 1.—When the two assassins of Field Marshal Sir Henry Hughes Wilson, former chief of the British Imperial general staff, were arranged in court today they revealed that the names they had given were aliases.

Both men were nonchalant and apparently untroubled over the gravity of their situation. The names of the witnesses were not revealed as a precautionary measure to guard them from attacks.

DISABLED VETERANS NAME
BUFFALO MAN COMMANDER
SAN FRANCISCO, July 1.—C. Hamilton Cook, of Buffalo, N. Y., was unanimously elected national commander of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War at the annual convention of the organization here yesterday.

YARDS AND TERMINAL DESERTED BY CREWS

Strikers Parade Through
Union Station En Route to
Mass Meeting.

At noon today a walkout of railway shopmen in the yards of the Washington Terminal was 97 per cent effective, according to statements of labor officials in control.

While admitting the practical universality of the strike, Terminal officials appeared undisturbed. They believe that the places of the men can be filled without any great difficulty, and are counting on drawing from the ranks of machinists who were furloughed from the naval gun factory in February.

Reports from the Potomac yards, in joint use by the Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio, Southern, and other big systems, show the percentage of walkout to be about the same as at Washington, and the figures are equal for the Alexandria shops of the Southern.

The employment offices at the Washington Terminal were wide open today, but the bulk of the applicants for positions were would-be special policemen. The scenes were interesting.

"Gun?" queried one burly young fellow.
"No, but I've got this," another answered, balancing a heavy night stick.

Parade Through Station.
However, the terminal officials expressed themselves as no more anxious to encounter riotous crowds than are union officials.

At 11:45 o'clock some 300 grimy shopmen just off their jobs paraded through Union Station, singing and calling to each other. They were on their way to a mass meeting scheduled for noon at George Washington Hall, Third street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast.

The terminal officials will make a statement later in the day when a check-off shows the exact number of the shopmen of this district. They were in touch with Baltimore, Philadelphia, and other terminals as to the effects of the walkouts in those cities.

400,000 SHOPMEN STRIKE AS WAGE CUT PROTEST

CHICAGO, July 1.—Wage cuts aggregating \$134,000,000 and affecting more than 1,000,000 railway workers went into effect on all railroads of the United States today by an order of the United States Railway Labor Board.

In protest against these wage cuts, and against certain practices charged against the managements of the railroads, approximately 400,000 railway shopmen throughout the country were to go on strike at 10 o'clock today.

Serious interruption of freight and passenger traffic was not anticipated, as the train service unions are not involved in the strike movement.

The strikers come almost entirely from the ranks of repair shop employees.

Employees affected by the strike